HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1135

By Harrison

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Derek Edward Murrell, upon placing in the top five of his graduating class at Cherokee High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Derek Edward Murrell is one such exceptional scholar who placed among the top five students of the 2008 graduating class at Cherokee High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Derek Murrell has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Derek has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average while participating in numerous extracurricular activities, including the Beta Club and the National Society of High School Scholars; he was also listed in the 2008 edition of *Who's Who Among American High School Students*; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Murrell's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success; and

WHEREAS, Derek's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, James Murrell and Bobbie Murrell, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Derek Murrell's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor Derek Edward Murrell for placing among the top five students of the 2008 graduating class at Cherokee High School, as we recognize his

impressive academic achievement and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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